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## TRANSMITTAL LETTER

Mail Stop RCE Commissioner For Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450 140 S. Lake Ave., Suite 312 Pasadena, CA 91101 October 30, 2006

## Commissioner:

## Attached are the following:

- 1. Fee Transmittal (in duplicate);
- 2. Check No. 2204 in the amount of \$395 for RCE fee;
- 3. Request for Continued Examination (in duplicate);
- 4. Amendment and Response to Final Office Action dated July 28, 2006 (amending existing claims; canceling 1 existing claim -- resulting in **no additional claim fee**); and
- 5. Return post card.

It is respectfully submitted that the attached Request for Continued Examination and Amendment and Response to the Office Action dated July 28, 2006 are timely filed because they are filed before the expiration of the three-month time period set by the Office Action, namely, before the expiration of Monday, October 30, 2006, which is the first business day following the three-month date, October 28, 2006, a Saturday, following the date of the Office Action. Accordingly, no Petition for an Extension of Time is filed. Even so, the Commissioner is hereby authorized, pursuant to 37 CFR 1.136(a)(3), to treat any concurrent or future reply or correspondence for the above-identified application, requiring a petition for an extension of time for its timely submission, as incorporating a petition for extension of time for the appropriate length of time. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees under 37 CFR 1.16 and 1.17, including any required extension fees, which may be required during the **pendency** of this

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application to Deposit Account No. 501574 and to treat this authorization as a constructive petition for an extension of time in any concurrent or future reply or correspondence for this application requiring a petition for an extension of time for its timely submission. Please show our docket number with any charge or credit to our Deposit Account. A copy of this letter is enclosed.

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